

your son.

Sincerely yours
A B Bent

Taunton Mass.

Feb. 18/16

Tausend calls
me by my middle
name, Cleveland, as
all my family do; you
had better do the
same.



Dear Mr. Deane:—

Thanks for your
kind note of cordial
congratulation & good
wishes & for the first
little valentine
which I presented to
Miss Harriet Fellowes
Bent. She felt
highly favored & was
deeply appreciative.

I am sorry that she cannot develop into an Arctic explorer, but sometimes girls make good ornithologists.

She seems to be a strong & healthy child which is more to the point just now.

I could not come off to the last We Dine as I had an import-

ant dinner at which I had to preside.

I seem to have a lot of evening engagements & find it too few evening a free to stay at home.

I am afraid I am not a very useful member of the We Dine.

I trust you & Mrs. Deane are well & that I shall see



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